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Dear Fellow Trichopterologists:

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I am pleased to inform you that the arrangements for our 8th symposium are essentially complete. The most recent arrangement I made was to reserve the main lobby our university's Frederick R. Weisman Art Museum for our Sunday night reception (9 July). The museum overlooks the Mississippi River and is adjacent to Comstock Hall where most of you will be staying. If you have not yet registered for the symposium, I urge you to do so as soon as possible. The deadline for submitting registration, accommodation, and presentation materials is 1 March 1995. Dr. Malicky has kindly reprinted the appropriate forms in this issue of Braueria.

As you can see, I also received the logo for the symposium. The illustration was done by Julie Martinez Janke, a local biological illustrator who has done other, excellent work for me in the past. The idea for the drawing came from an original watercolor by Ingrid Huisman, my wife Jolanda's sister. We plan to put the logo on posters to give away and on T-shirts for sale at the symposium.

This past summer, Jolanda and I made two collecting trips to the western U.S. to explore the area for the post-symposium excursion. We are now arranging the logistics for that trip. We plan to leave Minnesota and head west to the Black Hills of South Dakota, then to the Bighorn Mountains of Wyoming, from there to Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks, from the national parks, we will head southeast to the Snowy Ranges of Wyoming, then south into Colorado to Rocky Mountain National Park and the area surrounding Estes Park or Fort Collins, from there we will head back through Nebraska and Iowa to Minnesota. It will be a very busy trip, but if we plan it well we should be able to squeeze in everything in 2 weeks. Tentative dates for the trip are 18-31 July, 1995. I have not yet calculated exactly how much the post-symposium excursion will cost, but I suspect it will run about \$500 per person (less or more depending on the number of participants). The primary purpose of the trip will be collecting, but I will include many opportunities for sightseeing and nature watching. I have selected collecting sites primarily at campsites in our National Forests, but all are close to lodges and motels for those who prefer not to sleep in a tent. Of course, motels will be more expensive than camping. Because of the nature of the trip, I do not feel capable of taking more than 10-15 people in the field, in addition to four of us from Minnesota (me, our collection's curator Dr. Phil Clausen, and my two graduate students). Those who are interested in the trip are urged to let me know as soon as possible. Space will be reserved on a first-come, first-serve basis. I will be able to give participants a more precise estimate of costs by late January 1995. To date, six participants have registered for the post-symposium excursion. I suspect that there will be many others who are interested in the excursion, but I am afraid I will disappoint some of you simply because of space limitations

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8th International Symposium on Trichoptera Minneapolis/St. Paul and Lake Itasca, Minnesota 9–15 July 1995 On March 7th I will be traveling to Venezuela to join my colleague Dr. Claudia Cressa for a collecting expedition to Parque Nacional Canaima and other localities in the Gran Sabana. We'll later be joined by Dr. Ollie Flint for a week in Venezuela's Península de Paria. I'll return to the States on the 12th of April, while Ollie will continue on to Trinidad and then Guyana. When I return, I will devote my full efforts to preparing the program and making the final arrangements for the symposium.

We are very much looking forward to seeing all of you at the symposium.

With best wishes for the New Year.

Sincerely,

Ralph W. Holzenthal Associate Professor and

Convener

8TH INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON TRICHOPTERA Tentative Itinerary for Post-Symposium Excursion

<u>Date</u>	Route	Miles/Kms1	Hours	Campsite or Lodge	Collecting Site
18 July, Tues	Minneapolis, MN → Spearfish, SD	650/1040	12	Spearfish Canyon Resort	Spearfish River
19 July, Wed	Black Hills tour	250/400	-	Spearfish Canyon Resort	Little Spearfish Creek
20 July, Thurs	Spearfish → Burgess Jct, WY (via Devil's Tower Nat. Monument)	275/440 (400/640)	6 (9)	Owen Creek campsite or Bear Lodge	Owen Creek
21 July, Fri	Big Horn Mountains tour	150/240	, -	Owen Creek campsite or Bear Lodge	Tongue River
22 July, Sat	Burgess Jct → Yellowstone Nat. Park	150/240	4	Newton Creek campsite or Lodge	N. Fk. Shoshone River
23 July, Sun	Yellowstone Nat. Park tour (via north loop)	200/320	-	Newton Creek campsite or Lodge	N. Fk. Shoshone River
24 July, Mon	Yellowstone Nat. Park → Grand Teton Nat. Park (via south loop)	275/440	8	Jenny Lake Campsite or Jenny Lake Lodge	Gross Ventre River
25 July, Tues	Grand Teton Nat. Park → Saratoga, WY	350/560	7	South Brush Creek campsite or motel in Saratoga	e South Brush Creek and North Platte River
26 July, Wed	Saratoga, WY → Granby, CO	17 <i>5</i> /280	6	Big Rock Loop campsite or motel in Granby	Irving Hale Creek and Monarch Lake
27 July, Thurs	Granby → Fort Collins, CO (via Rocky Mountain Nat. Park)	220/350	_	campsite/motel	Cache La Poudre River
28 July, Fri	Fort Collins vicinity	200/320	-	campsite/motel (Cache La Poudre watershed
29 July, Sat	Fort Collins vicinity	200/320	-	campsite/motel C	Cache La Poudre watershed
30 July, Sun	Fort Collins → DesMoines, IA	600/960	10	motel en route	no collecting
31 July, Mon	DesMoines → Minneapolis TOTAL DISTANCE	245/390 3940/6300	5	Comstock Hall	
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¹ I have over estimated the miles/kms to avoid under budgeting the cost of the vehicles.